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Sunday World Wants Work Wonders

## FULL CONFIDENCE IN PERSHING SHOWN BY ALLIED CHIEFS

Gen. Scott So Reports to  
Baker and Says He Found  
No Pessimism.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Direct  
assurances of the confidence of both  
British and French Commanders in

Gen. Pershing's ability and their en-  
tire satisfaction with the breadth and com-  
prehensiveness of his preparations to make  
American troops effective on the western  
front were reached Washington  
with the receipt of a message of Major  
Gen. Hugh A. Scott, former Chief of  
Staff, who was in conference to-day  
with Secretary Baker and other War  
Department officials.

The news, which was actually reaching  
the Allied staffs from the command-  
ers-in-chief and members of the War  
Ministries down to the corps and  
division commanders, have been un-  
hesitatingly expressing their ap-  
proval of the chief of the American  
expeditionary force and his methods.

Gen. Scott visited virtually every  
part of the battle front and went  
carefully through all the training  
processes of both the French and  
British armies. He believes Gen.  
Pershing has laid the foundations for  
American army training upon what  
is best in French and British meth-  
ods and experience. There is no doubt  
in his mind that American troops will  
be the equal of any on the front when  
they come to grips with the German  
army. They are taking their train-  
ing enthusiastically.

There is no pessimism as to the  
outcome of the war in the fighting  
lines. The armies of the Allies are  
sure and confident. The confidence  
of victory among the fighting men,  
Gen. Scott found, became greater the  
closer the observer got to the front.  
There were no doubts in the trenches.  
Such pessimism as there may be  
among the British appears to be con-  
fined to the uninformed in London.  
It is not reflected in the army.

Gen. Scott now personally has in-  
spected three fighting fronts—the  
Russian, French and British. It ap-  
pears probable that he is to command  
a division of the American Army, al-  
though no direct statement of the  
plans designed for him by Secretary  
Baker has been made.

### "BRAINSTORM" PLEA FAILS.

Messina, Slayer of Brother-in-Law,  
Guilty in Second Degree.

(Special despatch to The Evening World.)  
WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., Dec. 21.—  
After being locked up for twenty-  
three hours, a jury which had been  
considering the evidence against  
Giuseppe Messina of New Rochelle,  
charged with the murder of his  
brother-in-law, Phillip Bellantoni, a  
barber, Oct. 25 last, to-day brought  
in a verdict of murder in the second  
degree. Justice Tompkins im-  
mediately discharged the jurors and an-  
nounced that he would impose sen-  
tence Monday.

John J. Hughes, counsel for the  
slayer, contended that his client was  
suffering from "brainstorm" when  
he fired four bullets into the body  
of his brother-in-law.

### Churches to Close to Hold Services in Theatres.

HAVERHILL, Mass., Dec. 21.—Most  
of the churches of this city will close  
their doors next Sunday and unite in  
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